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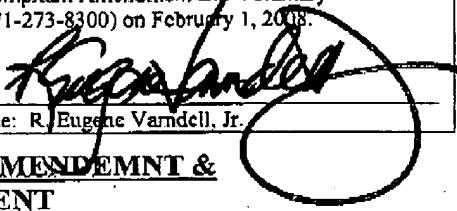
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**RESPONSE TO NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMNT &
VOLUNTARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents
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February 1, 2008

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on January 29, 2008 and are supplemental to those set forth in the response after final filed on October 9, 2007. The following amendments and remarks are also in response to the Official action mailed on May 7, 2007. A proper request for continuation examination (RCE) was timely filed in this application on November 6, 2007, together with a petition for a third-month extension of time.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 25 of this paper.